

REMARKS

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 4, 22-25, 41, 43-52, and 63-66 have been cancelled herein. Claims 3, 7, 12, 14-16, 18, 20-21, 26-27, 30-31, 34-35, and 40 were previously cancelled in prior amendments.

No claims have been amended, added, or withdrawn.

Claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8-11, 13, 17, 19, 28, 29, 32, 33, 36-39, 42, and 53-62 are currently pending in the application.

SUMMARY OF THE REJECTIONS

Claims 44 and 45 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,745,034 of Wang et. al. (*Wang*). Claims 4, 22-25, 41, 43, 46-52, and 63-66 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over *Wang* in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,975,603 of Dicker et al. (*Dicker*).

Note that Final Office Action states that Claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8-11, 13, 17, 19, 28, 29, 32, 33, 36-39, 42, and 53-62 have been allowed.

RESPONSE TO THE REJECTIONS AND ALLOWABILITY OF PENDING CLAIMS

In light of the cancellation of Claims 4, 22-25, 41, 43-52, and 63-66 in the above amendment, the Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections of those claims are now rendered moot.

Since all of the remaining claims, specifically Claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8-11, 13, 17, 19, 28, 29, 32, 33, 36-39, 42, and 53-62, are indicated in the Final Office Action as being directed to allowable subject matter, the Applicant respectfully submits that all of the pending claims are now in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

The Applicant believes that all issues raised in the Final Office Action have been addressed and that allowance of the pending claims is appropriate. Entry of the amendments and issuance of a Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is believed that such contact would further the examination of the present application.

To the extent necessary to make this reply timely filed, the Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

If any applicable fee is missing or insufficient, throughout the pendency of this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to any applicable fees and to credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

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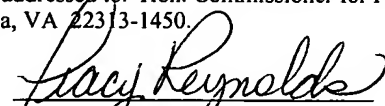
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